

**Amendments to the Specification**

Please **add** the following **new** paragraph at page 1, line 3:

-- This application claims the benefit, under 35 U.S.C. § 365 of International Application PCT/EP03/50718, filed October 14, 2003, which was published in accordance with PCT Article 21(2) on April 29, 2004 in French and which claims the benefit of European patent application No. 0213333, filed October 16, 2002. --